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In re Application of :
Cho, et al. :
Application No. 10/712,670 :
Filed: November 13, 2003 :
Attorney Docket No. EL0519USNA :
For: THICK FILM GETTER PASTE
COMPOSITIONS FOR USE IN MOISTURE
CONTROL

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 26, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply to the non-final Office action mailed November 17, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No proper extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on February 18, 2006 for failure to reply. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on June 6, 2006.

Petitioners have submitted an amendment and terminal disclaimers in reply to the November 17, 2005 non-final Office action, an acceptable statement of the unintentional nature of the delay in responding to the November 17, 2005 non-final Office action, and the required petition fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136, an extension of time must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum period obtainable for reply to avoid abandonment. Accordingly, since the \$ 1,020.00 extension of time submitted with the petition on May 26, 2006 was filed subsequent to the maximum period obtainable for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioners' deposit account.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 1714 for consideration of the amendment filed on May 26, 2006.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3230.



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